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TITLE: Ionization of zwitterionic amine substrates bound to

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Monomeric sarcosine oxidase: role of

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AUTHOR:

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TITLE: Ionization of zwitterionic amine substrates bound to

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AUTHOR(S): Zhao, Gouhua; Jorns, Marilyn Schuman [Reprint Author]

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TITLE: Monomeric sarcosine oxidase: Role of

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AUTHOR(S): Zhao, Gouhua; Song, Hui; Chen, Zhi-wei; Mathews, F. Scott;

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 144:65851

Ionization of Zwitterionic Amine Substrates Bound to TITLE:

Monomeric Sarcosine Oxidase

Zhao, Gouhua; Schuman Jorns, Marilyn AUTHOR(S):

Monomeric sarcosine oxidase (MSOX) binds the L-

Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, CORPORATE SOURCE:

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:430956 CAPLUS

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Engineered sarcosine oxidase TITLE:

> mutant with improved stability and less reactive to proline, as creatine assay

reagent

Kishimoto, Takahide; Sogabe, Atsushi; Oka, Masanori INVENTOR(S):

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Modified sarcosine oxidase having improved stability AB in the liquid state compared with the unmodified one and/or having a lowered activity on L-proline compared with the unmodified one and having an excellent substrate specificity without losing the sarcosine oxidase activity, and use as creatine assay reagent, are disclosed. A process for producing sarcosine oxidase which comprises culturing a microorganism capable of producing sarcosine oxidase and collecting the sarcosine oxidase from the culture medium; is also claimed. Such modified sarcosine oxidase have at

least one of the following characteristics, i.e., an activity on Lproline being 0.7% or less based on sarcosine and a Km value to Lproline being 150 mM or more, when measured at 37° and pH 8.0; A mutant of Arthrobacter strain TE1826 sarcosine oxidase was prepared by substituting various residues to reduce its reactivity to Pro, which causes errors during the determination of creatine or creatine in body fluid. The Pro reactivity of the mutants was reduced by >70%.

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TITLE: Monomeric Sarcosine Oxidase: Role

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Preparation of sarcosine oxidase TITLE: mutant less reactive to proline

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Toyobo Co., Ltd., Japan PATENT ASSIGNEE(S):

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A sarcosine oxidase mutant is prepared from the sarcosine oxidase of Arthrobacter strain TE1826 by substituting 345-Phe with Ala, Gly, Val, or Ile to reduce its reactivity to Pro, which causes errors during the determination of creatine or creatinine

in

body fluid. The mutant enzyme exhibits a pH optimum 7.5-8.5, The Pro temperature optimum 40-50°, and mol. weight 43 kDa by SDS-PAGE. reactivity of the mutants is reduced by >70%. Claimed is a creatine/creatinine assay reagent composition comprised of the sarcosine oxidase mutant and other reagents.

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Ionization of zwitterionic amine substrates bound to TITLE:

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Conservative mutation of His269 (to Asn, Ala, or Gln) does AB not-significantly affect the expression of monomeric sarcosine oxidase (MSOX), covalent flavinylation, the physicochemical properties of bound FAD, or the overall protein structure. Turnover with sarcosine and the limiting rate of the reductive half-reaction with Lproline at pH 8.0 are, however, nearly 2 orders of magnitude slower than that with with wild-type MSOX. The crystal structure of the His269Asn complex with pyrrole-2-carboxylate shows that the pyrrole ring of the inhibitor is displaced as compared with wild-type MSOX. The His269 mutants all form charge-transfer complexes with pyrrole-2-carboxylate or methylthioacetate, but the charge-transfer bands are shifted to shorter wavelengths (higher energy) as compared with wild-type MSOX. Both wild-type MSOX and the His269Asn mutant bind the zwitterionic form of L-proline. The E(ox).ovrhdot.Lproline complex formed with the His269Asn mutant or wild-type MSOX contains an ionizable group (pK(a) = 8.0) that is required for conversion of the zwitterionic L-proline to the reactive anionic form, indicating that His269 is not the active-site base. propose that the change in ligand orientation observed upon mutation of His269 results in a less than optimal overlap of the highest occupied orbital of the ligand with the lowest unoccupied orbital of the flavin. The postulated effect on orbital overlap may account for the increased energy of charge-transfer bands and the slower rates of electron transfer observed for mutant enzyme complexes with charge-transfer ligands and substrates, respectively.